



Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting

Hosted by Karen and Andy French

19:45 Thursday 10 November 2022

Minutes of Meeting

Distributed by email to:

Kevin Pickering, Andrew French, John Warren,
Chris Branford, Karen French, Dick Keighley,
Kath Pike, Rob Mills, Vicky McCreadie

Posted on Website:

<http://www.wimborne-orienteers.co.uk/d7/node/122>

Revision History

Revision	Date	Details
0	12-Nov-22	First Draft

Present:

Kevin Pickering (Chair) (**KeP**)
Karen French (Treasurer) (**KF**)
John Warren (**JW**)
Vicky McCreadie (**VM**)
Philip Harvey (Secretary) (**PH**)
Chris Branford (**CB**)
Andrew French (**AF**)
Rob Mills (**RM**)
Dick Keighley (**RK**)

Apologies for Absence:

Kath Pike (**KaP**)

The meeting was called to order by **KeP** at 19:50

1. Minutes of previous meeting on 22 September 2022

Revision 0 of the minutes was accepted as a true and accurate record.

Actions arising therefrom:

1.1: Club First Aid Course on 12 November 2022. This is going ahead. **PH** cannot attend.

This leaves one spare slot. **VM** will post on Facebook.

1.2: Bere Wood Mapping is in progress by **CB**. Approximately 75% completed.

2. Treasurer's Report

Nothing to report. Accounts are as per AGM

3. Equipment

3.1. Reported by **RK**:

- Splits bluetooth printer: Has proved to be very good and fast
- £271 has been paid to renew the Condes licence
- All SI control boxes have been battery checked and tested. 10 have been sent to have new batteries fitted. The set should last past the Night Champs in February
- SI timing licence needs to be renewed. £145 +VAT for 1 year; £580 +VAT for 5 years.
COMMITTEE DECISION: Renew for 5 years.
- Website hosting needs to be renewed next month: £115.06
- We have 3 domains, all of which we need to maintain: £44 for all

3.2. **KeP**: We should spend some money on a start clock.

CB and **RK**: There is no need. They are unreliable and the job can be better done using any tablet or smartphone (with a cover).

3.3. **VM**: Suggestion: SWOA have attainment badges for juniors. These should be incorporated into a pathway, organised in a folder (or log book) for each junior; with clear objectives and milestones for skills (e.g. compass, map reading, pacing, catching features, contour work, handrails), coaching activities, achievements, courses completed. Award stickers would lead to badge awards.

4. Recent Events & Meetings

4.1. 27 October 2022, Wessex Region Night League, Verwood. Well organised and well attended with social gathering afterwards at The Monmouth Ash public house.

4.2. 28 October 2022, WIM AGM, Holt Village Hall. Congratulations to **KeP** for well-received reports. Minutes and accounts are posted on the WIM website here:
<http://www.wimborne-orienteers.co.uk/d7/node/122>

4.3. 06 November 2022, Founders Trophy Club Champs at SOC November Classic, New Park, New Forest. Thanks to **AF** for crunching the numbers to reveal that **Keith Henderson** reigns victorious as Club Champion with **Alice French** 2nd and **Linda Pakuls** 3rd. Well done all.

5. Forthcoming Meetings and Events

See Fixture List distributed by **RM**. Points to note:

5.1. Sun 13 Nov 2022, WIM SWOL, Ibsley. CANCELLED / POSTPONED due to Ibsley permission declined by National Trust. Foxbury was offered instead, which is poor quality.

Gore Heath new map is not yet ready. SN now have a Regional Event at Long Valley on this day.

- 5.2. Mon 26 Dec 2022, Boxing Day Canter, Ringwood North. Entries to be handled by **RK** on Fabian4. Entry fees: same as last year. Car parking @ Ebblake Industrial Estate. Fairies and elves will be out.
- 5.3. Sun 15 Jan 2023, Level D (or C), Bere Wood. The map is $\frac{3}{4}$ completed by **CB**. Waiting for approval from Drax Estate. Inside Park is a potential backup venue for SWOL event on this date.
- 5.4. Thu 26 Jan 2023, WRNL, Shillingstone.
- 5.5. Sat 18 Feb 2023, British Night Championships, Moors Valley CP. Lead organiser is **KeP**:
 - WIM life members are: Trevor Bridle, John Warren, Emily Benham, Helen Bridle. Prizes should be awarded by one of these: Trevor and John are most likely to be available.
 - We need to appoint key roles e.g. Start Team Leader.
 - Starts are likely to be from 19:00-20:00.
 - Medals are to be ordered. Last year's trophies to be returned.
 - Entry fees: £20/£10. Based on 320 entries (last year: 316) we should break even. The biggest expense is a new map, which will be used for subsequent events and thereby generate further revenue.
 - To be added to the expenditure: a meal for the helpers; quoted at £10.50 per head for a curry.
- 5.6. Sat 01 Mar 2023, Summer Series, Blandford Milldown.
- 5.7. 2/3/4 Jun 2023, Euro City Race Weekend, Bournemouth. Bournemouth University have declined permission; Bournemouth City parks department have declined permission. Unless these decisions are reversed within the next 2 days, we will cancel all plans for this year but keep trying to secure permissions for future years.
- 5.8. Sat 10 Jun 2023, Summer Series, Sherborne.
- 5.9. Sat 12 Aug 2023, Summer Series, Durlston Country Park.
- 5.10. May 2025, British Long and Relay Championships, Bovington Ranges. Permission to use the area can be withdrawn at very short notice. It could be worth pencilling in an event but not the BOC. The map is >10 years out of date.

6. **AOB**

- 6.1. **KeP:** Purple Haze: This is a strip of land in Moors Valley CP for which has been submitted a planning application for extraction of sand. There will be a public consultation forum at

the Verwood Hub on Tuesday 06 December between 16:00 and 19:00 leading to an invitation for public comments from the end of January 2023. We are in opposition to this due to the impact on Moors Valley. What can be done? Nothing yet until the public consultation opens. At that time, add names to petitions, write letters (to Hampshire CC), highlight the issue to the whole WIM membership and any neighbours, friends, other users of Moors Valley to do the same. In the meantime, we will monitor developments.

- 6.2. **KeP:** Wimborne Orienteers development plan. This was required for ClubMark accreditation, which has now lapsed. A previous Development Plan was passed to **VM** for a fresh perspective of how some of the ideas could be adopted to attract new members and develop juniors.
- 6.3. **RK:** Eamon Staunton has a letter giving outline permission for use of Puddletown. A map will be needed.
- 6.4. **PH:** Gore Heath map should be finished in January. Then mapping will start at Puddletown.
- 6.5. **RK:** Schools League based around Sturminster Newton is going ahead. This is bringing in some juniors.
- 6.6. **RK** and **KeP** are SWOA committee members.

7. **Next Meeting**

Thursday 26 January 2022 immediately following the WNRL Shillingstone, in public house or at Jo Pickering's House.